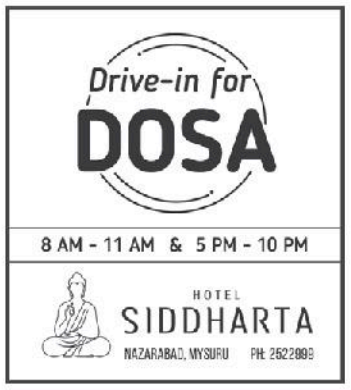

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CITB's Success Story Vs MUDA's Controversies

► In 35 years, MUDA allotted 44,011 sites ► CITB formed 54 new layouts in 19 years ► MUDA could form only 16 layouts in 35 years!

Mysuru, July 27 (RK&BCT)- The erstwhile **City Improvement Trust Board (CITB)** — now being formally known as **Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA)** — had significantly improved the standard of living in Mysuru by creating many well-planned layouts and providing housing to the needy people.

Now in contrast, the MUDA is facing criticism for neglecting its primary duties of developing layouts and distributing house sites to eligible residents. Unfortunately, over 86,000 site aspirants are still awaiting for their turn to possess one. At present, the MUDA affairs have come under severe public scrutiny following allegations of corruption, favouritism and illegal land deals.

The CITB, established by Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar in 1904, undertook various housing and welfare schemes and created well-planned layouts across Mysuru city. Nalwadi initially formed a six-member 'local committee' under the Chairmanship of the Maharaja's Secretary to prepare plans for the comprehensive development of Mysuru city.

The 'local committee' visited several areas and submitted a comprehensive report on city's overall development to the 'development committee' formed by the Maharaja.

(See CITB on page 5)

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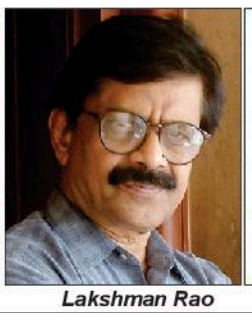
Mysuru, Saturday 27th July 2024

Karnataka Sugama Sangeetha Parishat to host
'Kaviya Nodi, Kavite Keli' event

Dr. Venkateshamurthy


Lakshman Rao

Jayappa Honnali

Mysuru, July 27 (TRR)- Karnataka Sugama Sangeetha Parishat, District Unit, is organising a unique 'Kaviya Nodi Kavite Keli' singing and reading of poems programme tomorrow from 5 pm at MBCT auditorium near Sterling theatre in Vidyaranyapuram, said President of Sugama Sangeetha Parishat's District Unit Dr. Nagaraj V. Bairy, at a press conference in the city on Thursday.

Renowned poets Dr. H.S. Venkateshamurthy, B.R. Lakshman Rao and Jayappa Honnali will participate in the event.

The programme will be inaugurated by Parishat's State President Y.K. Muddukrishna. Parishat Working President Dr. Kikkeri Krishnamurthy and Assistant Director of Kannada and Culture Dr. M.D. Sudarshan will be the chief guests.

President of Mandya Sugama Sangeetha Parishat David Prathibhanjali and Working Committee Member Narasimha Murthy will be the special guests.

Singers Y.K. Muddukrishna, Dr. Kikkeri Krishnamurthy, Sunita Jogi, Mangala Ravi, A.D. Srinivas, Nitin Rajaram Shastri, David Pratibhanjali, Amulya, Divya Sachchidananda, Hamsini, Purushotham and Rajesh Padiyar will present popular light music songs. They will be accompanied by Ganesh Bhat and Purushotham on keyboard, Raghunath on tabla, Gurudatt on rhythmpad and Raghavendra Prasad on drums.

"Sugama Sangeetha has a dedicated audience in Mysuru. Previous programmes organised by the Parishat had received very good response in the city with packed audience. Though entry is free for Sunday's programme, passes will be distributed at the venue just to keep a count of the audience," said Dr. Nagaraj Bairy.

For details contact Mob: 98451- 17878 or 98449-83935.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

With the Paris Olympics kicking off, India is not only aiming for a good performance, but is also hoping to bring the Games home. Government of India (GoI) had made its intentions clear at the International Olympic Committee Session in Mumbai last year. And the stated goal is to bid for the 2036 Olympics. But is hosting the Games really worth it? Olympics are notoriously expensive with huge budget overruns and white elephant infra. Over the last 60 years, almost all hosts have incurred losses. Beijing 2008 spent $40bn to earn $3.6bn. London 2012 spent $18bn to generate $5.2bn. And then Montreal 1976 was left with such a big hole that it took them 30 years to repay the debt.

Only Los Angeles 1984 made a $215 million operating surplus. So, chances are hosting the Games will lead to a huge financial mess. Realistically, the event that India should be looking to host is Fifa World Cup. There are better chances of breaking even here with longer term economic impact. World Cups are typically spread over multiple cities, relatively easier to manage with fewer athletes, and are by far the most watched sports events in the world.

Also, we may not even have to build new infra from scratch. We already have 11 football stadiums with 40,000-plus capacity. These could be refurbished. And Germany 2006, South Korea-Japan 2002 and South Africa 2010 made money from hosting World Cups. Beautiful game, beautiful logic.—*In The Times of India*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Man takes to crime to prove he is alive!

Jaipur: A man who was wrongfully pronounced dead by the Government turned to crime as a desperate way of proving that he was very much alive.

Baburam Bhil a 40-year-old man from Rajasthan's Mithora village, had long been trying to convince authorities that he was still alive after they issued a death certificate in his name. Afraid that all his properties would be confiscated by the Government after his "death," Baburam decided to become a serious criminal to attract attention to his problem. On July 19, he grabbed a knife and a petrol bottle and began terrorising a local school.

According to a Police report, Baburam Bhil also took several students and teachers hostage until Police arrested him. During the issuing interrogation, the Rajasthan man explained that he had wrongfully been pronounced dead, and after repeatedly trying to have his death certificate annulled, he became desperate to prove he was alive.

World's tallest abandoned building

Beijing: Goldin Finance 117, an unfinished 597-meter-tall skyscraper on the outskirts of Tianjin, China's seventh largest city, is currently the world's tallest abandoned building.

Originally designed to be the centerpiece of a luxurious real-estate project in Tianjin, Goldin Finance 117, is famous for being the world's tallest unfinished and unoccupied building. Construction began in 2008, but was halted just two years later, during the fallout of the Great Recession.

Work on the project was resumed in 2011, with an estimated completion date between 2018 and 2019. However, by September 2015, construction was once again suspended and has not resumed since. Now it's the world's tallest abandoned building.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Myth: Women who are more than 40 cannot conceive.
Fact: Fertility decreases with age as number and quality of eggs reduces. However, some women continue to have a good number of eggs even in the early 40s. Also, recent advances like IVF and if needed donor programs have made it possible to conceive after 40 years of age.

By Dr. Nivedita Vishwanath Adapa - Director And Consultant - Reproductive Medicine (IVF) - Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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REALLY...?

- ***The coconut Octopus walks on two limbs (like a human) and carries a coconut shell on its head. This "hat" isn't an ocean fashion but in fact helps hide the octopus from predators swimming above.***
- ***A female octopus lays around 200,000 eggs and spends all her time lovingly cleaning and protecting them. In fact, she's so busy looking after her eggs, that she forgets to eat and dies of starvation shortly after they hatch.***
- ***When people are royalty, we say they have "blue blood". Octopuses really do have blue blood because their blood contains a blue copper called haemocyanin, which helps them survive in low-oxygen water.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Bertha: You say he was very rich, but he left no money...
Clarissa: Yes, you see he lost his health getting wealthy and then lost his wealth getting healthy!

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VOICE OF THE READER

Valuable assets and vision for a growing city

Sir,

We have two very valuable assets in the form of Devaraja Market and Lansdowne building in their dilapidated condition.

Lot has been said and discussed about these two *ad nauseam*. Spending any more money on these two is a futile exercise.

Devaraja Market is not able to accommodate the large number of vendors who need this place and presently has very limited space for expansion. Facilities are limited and even with refurbishment, its life is limited.

We have home grown builders who have established their credentials by delivering on time the task assigned to them. Sankalp, Brigade, Sobha to name a few. By handing over these assets to any one or two would make matters simple and value accretive for the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC).

They can assess the demand, plan accordingly and deliver on time. Corporation can earn lease money without any investment or effort. Limited or restricted scope for scam.

Lansdowne building can be used as a multilevel car park which can provide covered parking for all those shop owners who have a need in D. Devaraja Urs Road and its surroundings. When this arrangement is made, casual visitors who use the road can pay parking charges as applicable. A serious thought should be given to hand over these properties for early execution and maintenance.

—R. Subramanyan

Mysuru
25.7.2024

NOTE: *Already lakhs of rupees is paid to consultants and repairs even as these buildings keep collapsing in different parts. The suggestion for a car parking facility must be taken seriously by the MCC, our MLAs and MP.* ***—Ed***

Nidhi Aapke Nikat 2.0

Mysuru, July 27- The District Outreach Programme under Nidhi Aapke Nikat 2.0 will be conducted by the Regional Office of Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO), Bhavishyanidhi Bhavan, Gayathripuram, Mysuru, on July 29 (Monday) from 9 am onwards at Glowtronics Private Limited, Hootagalli Industrial Area, Mysuru; at Carmel Convent School, K.R. Road, Subhash Nagar, near Forest Office, Mandya and at Office of Deputy Conservator of Forests and Director, BRT Tiger Reserve, Sulthan Shariff Circle, Chamarajanagar.

Stakeholders like PF members, pensioners, employers etc., may attend the programme for awareness, queries and information. For details, contact PRO on Ph: 0821-2599200/222 or e-mail: *ro.mvsore@epfindia.gov.in* or visit Social Media Platform *(@epfomysore)* of Regional Office, Mysuru.

Pratibha Puraskar

Mysuru, July 27- Karnataka Rajya Shivarchaka Kshemabhivruddhi Trust, Mysuru, will present Pratibha Puraskar to the community students who have secured above 90% marks in SSLC and II PUC exams (2023-24) tomorrow (July 28) at Nataraja Kalyana Mantap in Agrahara at 10.30 am. Trust President S. Kumaraswamy will preside. Prof. Shivalingaiah and M. Mallanna will inaugurate.

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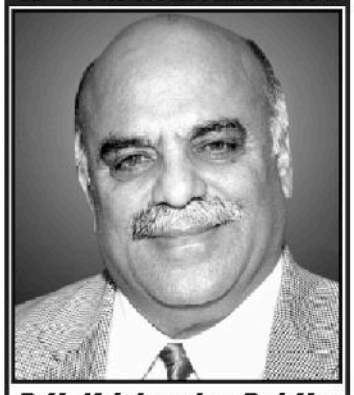

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NEWS BRIEFS

Results announced

JSS College of Arts, Commerce and Science (Autonomous), Ooty Road, Mysuru, has announced the results of undergraduate II, IV & VI semester examinations held in June/July-2024. Results are available in UUCMS - Student Login. Last date to apply for re-totalling is July 29, to obtain photocopy is July 30 and re-valuation Aug. 3, according to College Controller of Examination Dr. B. Prabhuswamy and Principal Dr. M. Prabhu.

Talk on Shakespeare

Mysore Literary Association has organised a talk on 'Shakespeare in two cultures' by Prof. C. Naganna, Professor of Comparative Literature and Translation Studies, at Kalpa Kshetra Auditorium, #581/1, Vijayanagar 4th Stage, 1st Phase, Mysuru, on July 28 at 11 am.

Power disruption

As Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) has taken up maintenance works at Hullahalli Branch's Huskur NJY route coming under Nanjangud Sub-Division-2, power supply will be disrupted on July 29 between 9 am and 5 pm in the following villages: Shiramalli, Huskur, Haginavalu, Valagere and Haratale, according to the Executive Engineer, CESC, Nanjangud Sub-Division-2.

NTA publishes NEET-UG results

New Delhi/ Bengaluru, July 27- The National Testing Agency (NTA) has published the final results of the NEET-UG exam-2024, which had run into controversy over paper leak and improper rankings, on Friday.

The NTA published the results following a Supreme Court order and taking into consideration the marks secured by students in respect of a specific Physics question, which had two right answers.

As per the results announced following the revised marks list, there are only 17 toppers in NEET-UG exam. In the earlier result, there were 61 toppers. But the revised result has seen only 17 toppers, with 44 students losing their top ranks.

The revised list also saw 201 students of Karnataka losing their eligibility for admission to Medical Colleges. According to the earlier results, 89,088 students from the State had gained eligibility. But in the revised list, only 88,887 students have secured eligibility, with Padmanabha Menon topping the State in the Rankings by bagging the 21st All India rank.

Dilapidated hostel building

122 nursing students live in constant fear

Mysuru, July 27 (MTY&BCT)- It is haven turned hazardous. In the heart of Mysuru, a group of 122 nursing students are living in fear, residing in a hostel that has become a symbol of neglect and danger. Parents of these students have urged the authorities to immediately shift their children to a safer building.

The hostel, part of the Govt. Mysore Medical College campus (governed by Mysore Medical College & Research Institute - MMC&RI), once stood as a proud facility. Today, however, it is a crumbling relic of its past, threatening the safety of its occupants.

The building, over 80 years old, is a shadow of its former self. Rainwater leaks through the ceiling, plaster falls in chunks and the walls have weakened to the point of collapse. The iron rods in the pillars and ceilings are rusting, signalling an impending disaster.

Only 3 toilets

For these young women pursuing their nursing studies, this isn't just a place to sleep — it's a daily reminder of the dangers they face. The students live in a two-storeyed building, with 16 rooms on the ground floor and 13 each on the first and second floors. Despite this seemingly ample space, the conditions are dire.

Out of the nine toilets, six are unusable due to a lack of water supply and a defunct internal drainage system. These facilities, once necessities, have now become a source of constant anxiety. The remaining three toilets are shared by all 122 students, a situation that has become increasingly unbearable.

Recent heavy rains in Mysuru have exacerbated the problem. Just days ago, a wall of the nearby Olympia Talkies collapsed, a stark reminder of what could happen to the hostel if left unchecked.

Ticking time bomb above heads

The students, particularly those in their final year, who are set to leave in two to three months, are acutely aware of the ticking time bomb above their heads. The plaster falling regularly from the ceiling is not just a minor inconvenience — it is a warning sign, a call to action that has so far gone unheeded.

Parents were initially reassured by the institute authorities that the hostel facilities were adequate when they enrolled their daughters in nursing school. However, they were not allowed to inspect the premises. As the reality of the situation became apparent, concerns grew.

Parents demand action

During weekend visits, parents would meet their children outside the hostel, unaware of the deteriorating conditions inside. Now, seeing the mould-covered walls and hearing stories from their children, they are demanding answers and action. One parent, visibly distressed, shared, "We were told the hostel was safe, but now we see the truth. Our daughters are living in a building that could collapse at any moment. How can we focus on their studies when their lives are at risk?"

Earlier, there were plans to demolish this dilapidated building and reconstruct the nursing hostel as they have done with the hostels of medical students that have been renovated and refurbished. But the plans did not materialise and the nursing students continue to live in distress.

To meet Director, Principal

MMC&RI Dean and Director Dr. K.R. Dakshayani and Nursing School Principal Rudrappa, are now under pressure to take immediate action. Parents are demanding that the students be relocated to the safer Backward Classes and Minorities (BCM) Hostel, a move that has become increasingly urgent as the monsoon season continues.

A delegation of parents is planning to meet the Director and the Principal to press for their demands. This is more than a story about a building; it's about the lives and futures of 122 young women who came to Mysuru with dreams of becoming healthcare professionals to save lives.

They deserve more than to live in fear of their living conditions. They deserve a safe environment in which they can focus on their education and build a better future for themselves and others.

The students and their families are pleading for urgent action. They are not just numbers but individuals with hopes, dreams and the right to safety. As the plaster continues to fall from the walls and ceiling and the rains persist, the question remains: Will their cries for help be heard before it's too late?

State Legislature passes resolutions against NEET, One Nation - One Election

Bengaluru, July 27 (KMS&DM)- Revolting against the Centre, both Houses of Karnataka Legislature on Thursday passed four resolutions, against National Entrance-cum-Eligibility Test (NEET) for admission to medical courses, the proposal for One Nation - One Election, delimitation of Lok Sabha and Assembly Constituencies based on the new population census and seeking changes in the Forest Rights Act.

With this, Karnataka became the third State, after non-BJP ruled States of West Bengal and Tamil Nadu, to seek exemption from NEET and return to the Common Entrance Test (CET) for medical admissions in the State.

The resolutions were passed amid chaos in the Assembly with Opposition members protesting the denial of debate over MUDA scam, which has rocked the State.

The resolution on delimitation, read out by Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister H.K. Patil demanded that the Central Government should not carry out delimitation of Constituencies on the basis of a census that is likely to happen in 2026 or thereafter. In case of increasing the number of seats based on the population, it should take into account the 1971 census to decide the number of LS seats and Assembly Constituencies in a State, the resolution said.

On the One Nation - One Election proposal, the resolution said that it posed a threat to India's democratic and federal system. The resolution observed that State Legislatures had their own terms of office and a uniform election schedule could undermine States' autonomy by focussing too much on national issues and ignoring local concerns.

The third resolution, which was moved by Medical Education Minister Dr. Sharan Prakash Patil, cited 'repeated irregularities' in the exam and called for amendments to the National Medical Commission Act, 2019, to abolish the NEET system at the national level. The resolution demanded the Centre to exempt Karnataka from this exam and allow admission in Medical Colleges to students on the basis of CET conducted by the State.

NEET not only makes the school education system ineffective, but also takes away the rights of the State Government to admit students in State Government-run Medical Colleges, the resolution pointed out.

Forest Minister Eshwar Khandre, who read out the fourth resolution on the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Forest Rights Act), 2006, urged the Centre to introduce suitable modifications in the rules for safeguarding the rights of STs and traditional forest dwellers over land and other resources.

CITB's success story Vs MUDA's controversies

(Continued from page 1)

The Maharaja had formed a 'development committee' in September 1902, consisting of 10 members under the Chairmanship of the Chief Engineer to control the deadly plague epidemic that emerged in 1898.

The plans included modifying roads and constructing new ones, drainage systems, public toilets and affordable housing for poor and working-class people. Nalwadi drew inspiration from the Bombay City Improvement Act and established the Mysore City Development Regulation on Dec. 1, 1903.

Later, on Jan. 1, 1904, the Maharaja transformed this into Mysore City Improvement Trust Board, recognised as first-of-its-kind not only in the State but also in the country. **In 1988, CITB was renamed Mysore Urban Development Authority (MUDA).**

CITB forms 54 layouts

Following the aims and objectives laid by the Maharaja, **CITB formed 54 layouts from 1967 to 1986** including Jayalakshmipuram, Vidyaranyapuram, V.V. Mohalla, Yadavagiri, Vontikoppal, Metagalli, Brindavan Layout, four Stages of Gokulam, Saraswathipuram, Jayanagar, Dattagalli, Hebbal, Srirampura, Kyathamaranahalli, Kuvempunagar, Gayathripuram, N.R. Mohalla, Mandi Mohalla, Lashkar Mohalla, Bannimantap A, B and C, J.P. Nagar, Gangothri First and Second Stage, Alanahalli, Jalapuri and Shankar Mutt.

From 1967-68 to 1986, over 19 years, the CITB also formed and distributed 6,434 sites in 23 layouts. However, from 1989 to 2024, over 35 years, MUDA formed only 16 layouts and distributed 44,011 sites in 40 layouts including those formed by the CITB. Combined, CITB and MUDA have distributed 50,445 sites across 63 layouts to date.

Income-based homes

Under the Own Your Housing Scheme, CITB distributed 10,000 houses to various sections of society. These houses were categorised for different income groups, including HIG (High-Income Groups), MIG (Middle-Income Groups) and LIG (Low-Income Groups).

These houses were constructed in Kuvempunagar, Aravindnagar, Vivekanandanagar, Sharadadevinagar, Vijayanagar (First, Second and Third Stages), Alanahalli, Devanur (First Stage), Kyathamaranahalli and Bademakan. The CITB, with financial assistance from the Housing and Urban Development Corporation (HUDCO), New Delhi, constructed and allocated over 8,000 houses in various settlements for different categories.

The year 1980 was declared by the United Nations (UN) as the Year of the Disabled. To mark this, 202 houses were constructed and allocated in the Bademakan settlement for differently-abled.

CITB also approved Civic Amenity (CA) sites for charitable trusts to construct hospitals, educational institutions, community halls, Government office buildings, affordable marriage halls, etc. Zonal drinking water reservoirs were constructed in German Press, Kuvempunagar, and Yadavagiri.

Over 84 years, the CITB has been instrumental in the planned and comprehensive development of the city and has left a significant mark on the city's overall development.

6,500 houses, 13,500 sites allocated in CITB's 'Asha Mandira' Project of 1987

D. Madegowda

United Nations declared 1987 as International Year of Shelter. To mark this, CITB designed 'Asha Mandira' Project under the Chairmanship of the then CITB Chairman D. Madegowda to distribute 6,500 houses.

However, 35,000 people applied for houses. Later, the project was divided into four segments: 'Build Your Own House', 'HUDCO Scheme', 'Own Your House Scheme' and 'Bank Assistance Scheme'.

Land was acquired in Dattagalli, Bogadi, Hebbal, Chikkahadanahalli, Srirampura, Devanur, Kyathamaranahalli and Belevatha. Specifically, in Bogadi, Hebbal, Devanur and Kyathamaranahalli, 6,500 houses were built for which HUDCO and the Government provided 85 percent of the total project cost and CITB contributed 15 percent.

In the Build Your Own House Scheme, 13,500 plots were allocated to economically weaker sections. The CITB also provided market facilities for the residents by constructing shopping complexes in Siddarthanagar, Gokulam 3rd Stage and Mahadevapura Agrahara.

Sites allotted by MUDA from 1989 to 2017

Year	Area	Sites
1989	Vijayanagar 1st and 2nd Stage, Kyathamaranahalli, Sathagalli, Devanur, Dattagalli	1,600
1991	Nachanahalli 1st Stage, Devanur 2nd Stage, Srirampura, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, Vijayanagar 3rd Stage, Hebbal and Kesare	2,740
1994	Dattagalli 3rd Phase, Vijayanagar 4th Stage 1st Phase, Vijayanagar 4th Stage 2nd and 3rd Phase, Rajivnagar 2nd Stage, Srirampura and Nachanahalli 2nd Stage	12,044
1998	Vijayanagar 4th Stage, Sathagalli 2nd Stage	5,787
2000-01	Hanchya-Sathagalli A and B Zone and Devanur 3rd Stage	6,990
2001-02	Hanchya-Sathagalli A and B Zone and Devanur 3rd Stage	1,496
2003	Nachanahalli Kuppalur 3rd Stage, Devanur 3rd Stage, Sathagalli A and B Zone	4,304
2005	Vasanthanagar	1,720
2007	Lal Bahadur Shastri Nagar, Shanthaveri Gopalagowda Nagar	3,690
2011	Chamalapura (Nanjangud), R.T. Nagar, Lalithadri Nagar (South)	61, 1,760, 1,278 (respectively)
2017	Lalithadri Nagar (North)	541
	Total	**44,011**

NOTE: From 2017, neither MUDA formed any layout nor distributed sites to the common man.

BJP, JD(S) leaders too own MUDA plots: Minister Byrathi Suresh

Byrathi Suresh

Bengaluru, July 27 (KMS&BS)- Amid the stinging attack by BJP and JD(S) combine, training guns at Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, the State Government has released a list of MUDA land and site beneficiaries that includes top leaders of Opposition parties.

Urban Development Minister Byrathi Suresh released the list of such site beneficiaries during the media conference convened by Siddaramaiah at Vidhana Soudha yesterday to clarify the allegations related to allotment of sites under 50:50 scheme to his (Siddaramaiah) wife Parvathi, by MUDA.

The list contains the names of Union Minister for Heavy Industries and Steel H.D. Kumaraswamy, JD(S) MLA G.T. Devegowda, JD(S) MLC C.N. Manjegowda, BJP MLC A.H. Vishwanath, former JD(S) Minister S.R. Mahesh and several other leaders of both the parties, being the beneficiaries of *bidi niveshana* (stray sites) allotted by MUDA.

Interestingly, Right To Information (RTI) activist N. Gangaraju is also a beneficiary of MUDA plots, as he has been allotted 0.17 acres of land collectively including Hootagalli and Kuppalur.

HDK turns tables on CM, Urban Development Minister

New Delhi, July 27 (Agencies)- Union Minister for Heavy Industries and Steel H.D. Kumaraswamy (HDK) has shot back at Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Urban Development Minister Byrathi Suresh, for accusing him of also being a beneficiary of Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) plot.

HDK spoke to media persons here on Friday, soon after the series of revelations made by the CM and his Cabinet Minister, about MUDA scam and related matters, at Vidhana Soudha in Bengaluru, earlier in the day.

HDK, who denied misusing his power like Siddaramaiah, went on to clarify that, though he was allotted MUDA site, he was still awaiting for sanctioning of the site, even after paying the stipulated amount of Rs. 34,000 to MUDA, 40 years ago.

"I was the CM in the year 2006 and if I wanted to misuse my office, I would have got the site registered in my name then itself. But I didn't misuse power like CM Siddaramaiah," said HDK, turning the tables on his detractors.

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First fix Roads, then build Amusement Park

The sorry state of roads leading to Brindavan Gardens in KRS.

Guess which project is back on the table — "wannabe" Disneyland! Yes, the Karnataka State Cabinet has cleared a proposal to develop Brindavan Gardens along the lines of Disneyland!

This new "wannabe" Disneyland, though tentatively christened as Cauvery Brindavan Amusement Park, is not a new project.

In 2018, H.D. Kumaraswamy, who was the CM had a dream — turn KRS into Disneyland. Guess it was a day-dream because he wanted to do it at a cost of just Rs. 5 crore!

This time around the State government is budgeting Rs. 2,663 crore and going for a Public-Private Partnership! But is it viable? We highly doubt it.

The smallest Disneyland is in Hong Kong and it was completed in 2005. The Hong Kong government had invested US$ 3.2 billion (around Rs. 25,000 core) and Disney invested around US$ 314 million (Rs. 2,500 crore), and we are trying to build a similar version for just Rs. 2,663 core?

Our government can't even maintain a small Bal Bhavan in our city and they want to build Disneyland in Brindavan Gardens?

One would think a responsible government would be concerned that all that heavy duty construction work could damage the structural integrity of the KRS Dam, especially considering there are already concerns about cracks on the dam due to rock blasting at the quarry nearby that has now been banned!

But alas the government doesn't seem too concerned. There is another surprise: The proposal for this Amusement Park did not come from the Tourism Department, instead it came from the Irrigation Department!

We must ask, is it a government's job to create Amusement Parks? Governments as much as possible should only regulate not participate, especially considering that existing tourist spots run by governments are not well maintained.

> **"Spending Rs. 2,663 cr. on a cheap-looking Amusement Park that will never see profits; worse, ruin an otherwise serene tourist destination like Brindavan Gardens; and most dangerous, affect the structural integrity of the crucial KRS Dam, is not wise. Government, be warned."**

In our city too all four major tourist attractions managed by the government — Mysore Palace, Brindavan Gardens, Mysuru Zoo and Chamundi Hill — are not in the most "tourist-friendly" shape, first fix that.

Mysuru it seems is becoming a city where politicians are desperate to put up projects, however ridiculous and unviable.

Over the years we have had various proposals like Aquarium, Mysore Eye, Ropeway, Akshardham-like Park in front of Lalitha Mahal and now Cauvery Brindavan Amusement Park!

Most of these projects are unsustainable, unfinished or money is spent on just getting Detailed Project Report (DPR).

Some may recall in 2012 MUDA had allocated Rs.50 lakh to get a DPR for a proposed park right in front of Lalitha Mahal Palace.

The proposal was like a child's fantasy; it had everything — A Sound & Light Show, an exhibition, animatronics (robotic moving objects), a musical fountain, a big movie screen (IMAX), a regular theatre, an open air theatre, yoga centre, laser show and a battery-operated train!

That's not all. There was going to be an artificial river flowing around this park and on the banks would be eye-catching statues and paintings showcasing the grandeur of the city. They said they want to make it like Akshardham in New Delhi.

First, the Delhi Akshardham is on an area of more than 100 acres and on the banks of river Yamuna? Our MUDA was planning to make a similar one in just under 30 acres with an artificial stream running around the park!

Thankfully the project died.

Similarly in 2012 there was a proposal to build a 'Sky Wheel,' a super-sized giant wheel atop Chamundi Hill on the lines of London Eye in England!

The proposal made me giddy, here is why. The London Eye in England which is built on the ground took 7 years to construct at a cost of around Rs.600 crore. Meanwhile our Karnataka government claimed that it could do it atop a Hill in just four months and in under Rs. 30 crore!

Thankfully the project died.

When it comes to tourism our Karnataka government is always making 'mini' and 'semi' of everything that's grand and great abroad — mini-London Eye, mini-Disneyland and mini-Aquarium and all are semi-planned and semi-complete.

Now, before our government plans to build an Amusement Park in Brindavan Gardens, we request they fix the unmotorable roads leading to the Gardens.

Spending Rs. 2,663 crore on a cheap-looking Amusement Park that will never see profits; worse, ruin an otherwise serene tourist destination like Brindavan Gardens; and most dangerous, affect the structural integrity of the crucial KRS Dam, is not wise. Government, be warned.

If the government sincerely wants to improve tourism, let them first improve access and facilities to the already existing popular tourist destinations.

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Festive fervour marks Chamundi Vardhanti

Pramoda Devi Wadiyar and Yaduveer Wadiyar of Mysore Royal Family symbolically pulling the cart, marking the procession of Utsava Murthy in golden palanquin on account of Chamundeshwari Vardhanti atop Hill this morning as MLA G.T. Devegowda, ADC P. Shivaraju and Sri Chamundeshwari Temple Development Authority Secretary M.J. Roopa look on. Picture right shows Environmentalist Saalumarada Thimmakka seen after having darshan of Goddess Chamundeshwari, on the occasion of third Ashada Friday Puja atop Hill in city yesterday.

Mysuru, July 27 (MTY&BS)- Vardhanti (birthday) Mahotsava of Goddess Sri Chamundeshwari, was celebrated with much pomp and vigour atop Chamundi Hill today in the city.

Vardhanti of the presiding deity, that falls during Ashada Masa (Month) every year, adds festive fervour to the religious event, that draws devotees from across the State, majorly from Mysuru and surrounding districts.

To enable the huge rush of devotees, the temple of Goddess Chamundeshwari atop the Hill will remain open till 10 pm.

Erstwhile Royal Family Member Pramoda Devi Wadiyar, her son and Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar, symbolically pulled the cart, on which the golden palanquin carrying the Utsava Murthy (procession idol) of the Goddess was placed, amid the sea of devotees, marking the launch of the procession called as 'Mantapa Utsava.'

Troupes performing Nadaswara, along with the troupes of Birudu, Bavali, Chatri (umbrella), Chamara (temporary canopy) of Palace, added to the tradition associated with the annual event.

Yaduveer, also the titular head of Mysore Royal Family, clad in his white long coat and trouser, wearing the traditional green colour turban, took part in the ritual, continuing with the tradition launched by his ancestors.

Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda, Additional Deputy Commissioner P. Shivaraju and Sri Chamundeshwari Temple Development Authority Secretary M.J. Roopa also took part in launch of Mantapa Utsava, along with Wadiyars.

The idol of the Goddess, adorned in Golden Crown, magenta coloured silk saree and traditional jewels, placed in flower bedecked palanquin, was taken in a procession around the temple, amid teeming devotees, who rented slogans hailing the Goddess.

Earlier in the day, the door of Chamundeshwari Temple atop the Hill was opened at 8 am for the devotees, following the ritual of 'Enne Majjana' (Bathing) to the idol of the Goddess at 5.30 am. It was followed by other rituals like Mahanyasa Pooraka Rudrabhisheka, Rudrabhisheka, Panchamrita Abhisheka, Sahasara Namarchane before performing Mangalarati.

The Mahamangalarati was performed again at 9.30 am and the Utsava Murty was brought out of the temple to take it in a procession — Mantapa Utsava.

KSRTC operated buses to the Hill from Lalitha Mahal Palace Grounds from 6 am, with private vehicles prohibited to the Hill throughout the day.

Later in the night, Utsava Phala Puja will be conducted followed by Durbar Utsava and Mantapa Utsava. Later, Rashtra Ashirvada Puja will be conducted, that marks the culmination of Vardhanti Utsava.

Various associations and organisations, involving ardent devotees of the Goddess, also had organised special puja in public places and distributed prasada to the people.

Similarly, at the foot of Chamundi Hill, off Mysuru-Nanjangud Road too, several organisations had organised distribution of prasada like jaggery rice, Mysore Pak, lemon rice, vegetable baath among other food.

Ramanagara renamed to Bengaluru South

'Ramanagara will revert to its original name by 2028'

Bengaluru, July 27 (UNI)- State Cabinet yesterday approved renaming the Ramanagara district to Bengaluru South. The renaming has gained political colour with JD(S) opposing the move.

"We have decided to rename Ramanagara district as Bengaluru South. It is based on the demand of the people there. The Revenue Department will start the process," State Law & Parliamentary Affairs Minister H.K. Patil told reporters after the Cabinet meeting. "Only the name of the district will change, remaining all will remain the same," he added.

Earlier this month, a delegation led by Dy.CM D.K. Shivakumar submitted a proposal to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah to rename Ramanagara district to Bengaluru South. Ramanagara district has five taluks — Ramanagara, Channapatna, Magadi, Kanakapura and Harohalli. Renaming Ramanagara as Bengaluru South district will help the taluks benefit from the international reputation enjoyed by Bengaluru, Shivakumar said in the memorandum.

'Hatred towards Lord Ram'

The proposal, which came ahead of the Channapatna by-polls, had ruffled the feathers of the BJP-JD(S) combine whose erstwhile coalition Govt., led by the then CM H.D. Kumaraswamy, had carved out the district in 2007.

Taking exception to renaming Ramanagara district, the BJP had alleged that the "design of the Congress Government smacks of hatred towards Lord Rama and the lure of real estate."

Union Minister Kumaraswamy vowed that the district will revert to its original name by 2028. He stated, "It is not possible to remove the name of Ram. By 2028, it will again be called Ramanagara. Let them be happy for a few days. Their political downfall has begun. Who had applied to change the district's name? What will be achieved by changing the name?"

Zoo Youth Club inauguration

Mysuru, July 27- Indian Cricketer Veda Krishnamurthy will inaugurate the 32nd Youth Club of Mysuru Zoo for the year 2024 tomorrow (July 28) at 10 am at the Zoo Conference Hall here.

Youth Club is a unique conservation educational programme run by Mysuru Zoo for the last 31 years. Young children, aged between 12-18 years 60 students, are selected on first-come-first-serve basis. Students will get exposure on basics of biodiversity, values of wildlife, conservation of wild animals, animal behaviour and captive management of wild animals at Zoo. There will be both theory and practical classes.

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Brindavan Gardens at KRS Dam to be upgraded with Rs. 2,663 crore

Karnataka Rajya Raitha Sangha opposes acquisition of 198-acre fertile agricultural land for fantasy park-like project

Bengaluru, July 27 (KMS& BCT)- The Karnataka Cabinet has approved a proposal to upgrade the Brindavan Gardens, located at the base of the Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam across River Cauvery in Srirangapatna Taluk of Mandya district. The project, estimated to cost Rs. 2,663 crore, will be executed under a Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model.

The upgrade includes building hotels, enhancing KRS with illuminations, and introducing water sports. Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister H.K. Patil told reporters after the Cabinet meeting that the project aims to transform the area into a fantasy park-like attraction.

The project will encompass beautifying the gardens and promoting tourism-related activities across 198 acres at KRS. The master plan features various components, including a helipad, parking facilities, a Cauvery promenade, cascades, entry plaza, a grand street, food plaza, boating lake, amphitheatre, botanical garden, laser fountain show, water park, museum and a river view deck.

Additionally, the plan includes water sports facility, five-star hotel, grand welcome arch and a special park for children.

The extensive project will be revised based on feedback from the Finance Department, Planning Department and the Department of Infrastructure Development, Ports, and Inland Water Transport.

The Cabinet has decided to implement the project through a tender process within the PPP framework, with a total concession period of 34.5 years, including an initial 4.5-year concession period. The master plan consists of 45 components.

Meanwhile, the project, still in its initial stage, has met with strong opposition from local farmers, led by the Karnataka Rajya Raitha Sangha (KRRS).

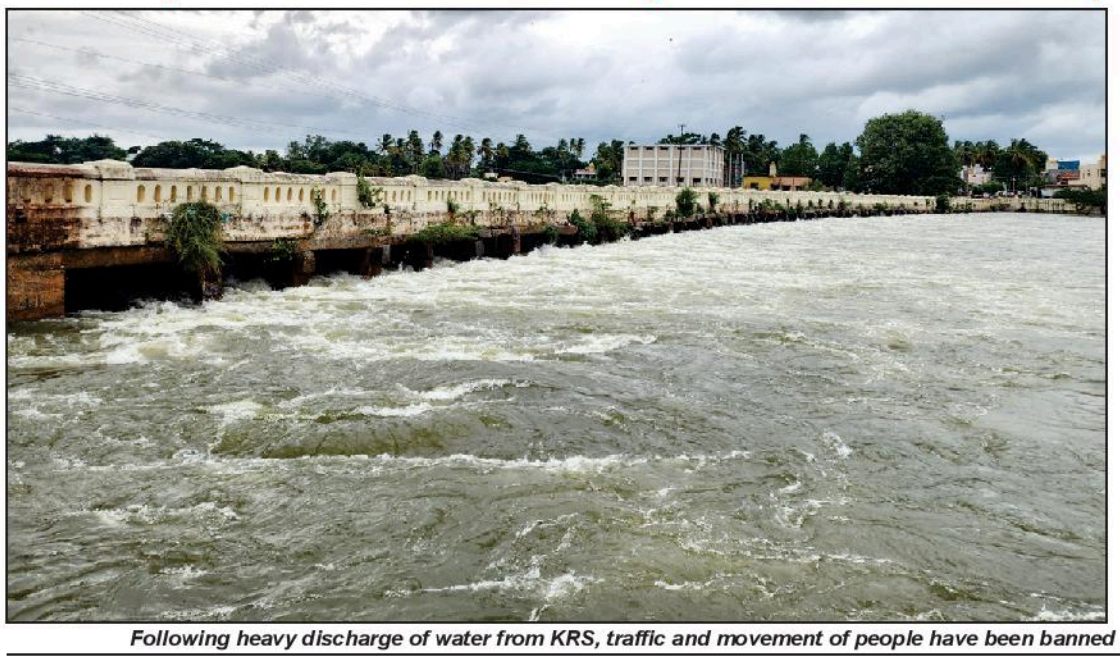
At a press conference in Mysuru yesterday, KRRS leader Badagalapura Nagendra voiced concerns about the government's decision to revive what has been referred to as the 'Disneyland' project, now called as **Cauvery Brindavan Amusement Park.**

The KRRS is particularly opposed to the acquisition of 198 acres of fertile agricultural land for the project.

He urged the Government to seek public opinion before proceeding with the project and announced plans to submit a memorandum to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar during their visit to KRS on July 29 to offer 'bagina' to KRS reservoir, which has reached its full capacity (124.80 feet).

Parts of Srirangapatna, Malavalli submerged

Heavy discharge of water from KRS Dam; MLA-led officers team inspects flooded areas of Ranganathittu Bird Sanctuary, Sai Dhama, Wellesley Bridge, Marahalli Lake, Muthathi



Following heavy discharge of water from KRS, traffic and movement of people have been banned on the historic British-era Wellesley Bridge in Srirangapatna.

Mandya, July 27 (BS)- With over one lakh cusecs of water being released into the Cauvery (Kaveri) River from the Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam, several areas along the riverbank in Srirangapatna and Malavalli in Mandya district have been submerged.

The flood-affected areas include the Cauvery backwaters, Bird Sanctuary at Ranganathittu, Paschima Vahini, Nimishamba Temple premises, Sai Dhama, Wellesley Bridge, Mahadevapura and some localities in Mandya Koppal within Srirangapatna taluk.

Parts of the Marahalli Lake area and Muthathi in Halagur, Malavalli taluk, are also underwater.

Srirangapatna MLA Rameshbabu Bandisiddegowda, along with Mandya Deputy Commissioner Dr. Kumara and Zilla Panchayat Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Tanveer Sheikh Asif, visited the flood-affected areas in the Cauvery basin within Srirangapatna taluk. They inspected the old bridge across the Cauvery River, Paschima Vahini, Bird Sanctuary, Belagola and various parts of KRS.

During their visit, they discussed precautionary measures to prevent people from venturing into low-lying areas and agricultural fields along the Cauvery riverbank in Srirangapatna taluk.

MLA Rameshbabu stated that both the Taluk and District Administration officials have implemented all necessary precautions in the flood-affected areas to prevent disasters.

They are also raising awareness about safety protocols through extensive publicity in both urban and rural areas.

DC Dr. Kumara noted that with the flood situation expected to worsen in the coming days, coordinated efforts will be made involving all department officers and staff to prevent any potential disasters.

Tahsildar Parashuram Sattigeri, Taluk Panchayat Executive Officer (EO) Venu, Dy. SP (Srirangapatna Sub-Division) H.S. Murali and other officials were also present during the spot inspections.

Lawyers must possess social concern to make impact: CM

'Guruvandana' to Senior Advocate A.S. Nataraj

Mysuru, July 27 (SBD&DM)- Chief Minister Siddaramaiah emphasised that advocates, in addition to having a thorough knowledge of the law, should also have empathy for the poor and society.

He made these remarks while presiding over the 'Suvarna Sambhrama' and 'Guruvandana' organised by juniors of Senior Advocate A.S. Nataraj, marking his 50th year of law practice. The event was held at Sa. Ra. Convention Hall on Dattagalli Ring Road last evening.

Siddaramaiah opined that only those who maintain good connections with the public and understand the lives of the poor can become effective advocates. He recalled that in the past, uneducated individuals and villagers would come to Courts with disputes, often compensating their advocates with goods like butter and vegetables instead of money.

"Unfortunately, some advocates took advantage of this by misleading their clients. However, he noted that times have changed, with litigants now being more informed and discerning," he said.

The CM reiterated that advocates should not only be intelligent and up-to-date with the law but also possess a strong sense of ethics and conviction. He stressed the importance of honesty in the profession, urging advocates to do justice to their clients who seek their help.

Siddaramaiah praised A.S. Nataraj for bringing honour to the legal profession, noting the large turnout at the event as a testament to his professional success and popularity. He commended Nataraj for training numerous junior advocates and highlighted the positive impact of doing good work in any profession.

Reflecting on his own career, Siddaramaiah recalled his time as an advocate in Mysuru and shared how his mentor, Prof. P.M. Chikkaboraiah, had advised him to choose between politics and law after he lost the 1980 Lok Sabha elections. Siddaramaiah decided to pursue both, which eventually led to him becoming CM for a second time.

In his address, Nataraj attributed his professional success to his juniors, stating that he treated them like his own children despite their mistakes. He expressed deep gratitude for the affection shown by the legal community.

On behalf of Mysore Bar Association, Nataraj also appealed to CM to relocate the ZP Office adjacent to Law Courts and hand over the building to the Court.

Senior advocates Venkataraje Urs and C.M. Jagadish also spoke. Nataraj was honoured with 'Guruvandana' and Siddaramaiah was feted. A.S. Nataraj's wife Prof. C.P. Sunitha, family members, senior advocate Appaji Gowda and others were present.

CM leaves for Bengaluru

CM Siddaramaiah, who had come to the city yesterday, left Mysuru this morning by road.

The CM heard grievances from the public at his Ramakrishnanagar residence for some time, before leaving for Bengaluru.

He is scheduled to return to the city tomorrow (July 28) morning and stay overnight. On Monday (July 29), the CM along with Deputy CM D.K. Shivakumar, will offer 'bagina' to Cauvery River at KRS Dam at 11 am and at Kabini Dam in H.D. Kote at 3 pm.

Continuous phone calls change CM's expressions on stage

Amidst scandals like the Mysuru Urban Development Authority and Karnataka Maharshi Valmiki Scheduled Tribes Development Corporation impacting the Government, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah found himself at the centre of an unexpected moment during the 'Suvarna Sambhrama' and 'Guruvandana' event.

As senior Advocate C.M. Jagadish was speaking, Siddaramaiah, seated at the centre of the stage, received a series of phone calls. Noticing the situation, Jagadish paused his speech to allow the CM to take calls.

As Siddaramaiah conversed on the phone, his facial expressions noticeably shifted, reflecting a range of emotions that hinted at troubling news. His demeanour appeared increasingly concerned, suggesting he was preoccupied with some pressing issues. The tension in the room was palpable as the audience observed the CM's reactions.

However, the atmosphere lightened considerably during the 'Guruvandana' segment of the event. Siddaramaiah's expression transformed, and he was soon seen smiling and warmly greeting everyone who approached him on stage. The shift in his demeanour brought a sense of relief to the attendees, ending the programme on a more positive note despite the underlying tensions.

Padayatra to Bengaluru on July 29

Mysuru, July 27 (MTY&TRR)- State Backward Classes Jagruta Vedike President K.S. Shivaram has announced that the Vedike activists will take out a padayatra to Bengaluru on July 29 and lay siege to BJP Office there to protest against the baseless accusations being levelled against Chief Minister Siddaramaiah by the State BJP leaders.

Addressing the media at Patrakarthara Bhavan in the city yesterday, he said "There is no relation between the alleged MUDA site scam under 50:50 site allotment scheme and the sites given to CM's wife Parvathi. Still, by linking the MUDA site allotment scam to the sites given to CM's wife and spreading baseless allegations, the BJP leaders are conspiring to unseat the CM. To protest this, we are taking out a padayatra to Bengaluru on July 29 and lay to siege to BJP Office."

Several progressive organisations and Congress party supporters will take in padayatra. Leaders H.S. Prakash, Ravinandan, Yogesh Uppar, Shivashankara Murthy and others were present.

Over 1,600-tonne lithium deposits found in Mandya

Jitendra Singh

New Delhi, July 27 (Agencies)- Lithium deposits have been discovered in Mandya and Yadgiri districts of Karnataka, according to Jitendra Singh, Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Earth Sciences who mentioned it in a written reply to the Rajya Sabha yesterday.

The Atomic Minerals Directorate for Exploration and Research (AMD), a unit under the Department of Atomic Energy, identified these resources.

Following initial reports of lithium reserves found between 2020 and February 2021, there has been little action from the authorities. The Minister's announcement has renewed hopes for the potential development of these resources in Karnataka.

Preliminary surveys, including surface and limited subsurface exploration conducted by AMD, have confirmed the presence of 1,600 tonnes of lithium in the pegmatites of the Marlagalla-Allapatna area in Mandya district.

Lithium, an element first discovered in 1817 by Johan August Arfvedson and named after the Greek word 'lithos' meaning stone is highly sought after globally. Known for its use in ceramics, glass, telecommunications and aerospace industries, lithium is particularly critical for producing lithium-ion batteries, lubricating grease, high-energy additives in rocket propellants, optical modulators for mobile phones, and as a precursor for tritium used in thermonuclear reactions (fusion).

The unique properties and applications of lithium, especially in nuclear technology, classify it as a 'prescribed substance' under the Atomic Energy Act of 1962, giving AMD the authority to explore lithium resources across various geological domains in India.

MUDA and Valmiki Corporation Scams

CM Siddu to meet high command on July 30?

Bengaluru, July 27 (KMS&BS)- Amid the heat over the allegations of scams at Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) and Karnataka Maharshi Valmiki ST Development Corporation and the relentless protests by the Opposition parties, demanding his resignation, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah is most likely to meet Congress high command in New Delhi.

It is said that Siddaramaiah will be visiting the national capital on July 30 and will be calling on former Congress President Sonia Gandhi, Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi, All India Congress Committee (AICC) President M. Mallikarjun Kharge, AICC General Secretary K.C. Venugopal and other senior leaders of the party.

During his visit, Siddaramaiah will be apprising the national leaders about the developments related to the scams, which made more noise, with the main Opposition parties BJP and JD(S) upping their ante during the recent Monsoon Session of the State Legislature, holding both the Houses for ransom, for nine consecutive days.

Building constructed on Govt. land demolished

Mysuru, July 27 (RK&DM)- In yet another operation for reclaiming encroached Government land, the District Authorities on Thursday razed an unauthorised building which had come up on a Government land in the taluk.

Upon coming to know that an unauthorised commercial building had come up on Government land coming under Survey Nos.54 to 57 and located on Gaddige Main road in Yelwal Hobli of the taluk, a team of officials led by Mysuru taluk Tahsildar Mahesh Kumar, in an early morning operation on Thursday, razed down the building using JCB machines and other equipment and reclaimed the land.

The commercial building was said to have 10 shops and the value of the land is estimated at about Rs.3 crore. Even as the demolition was in progress, some persons who arrived at the spot, tried to stop the demolition by arguing in favour of the person who had constructed the building.

However, the officials silenced them by producing the documents and the demolition went ahead smoothly, it is learnt.

Yelwal Deputy Tahsildar Kuber, Revenue Inspector Shivakumar, Village Administrative Officer Bharateesh, Bogadi Town Panchayat Administrative Officer Basavaraj, Revenue Inspector Vijayakumar and PWD staff were present during the operation.

EVENTS TODAY (JULY 27)

- **Simon Exhibitors:** 'Karnataka Sambhrama-50,' Mega Consumer Expo marking golden jubilee of renaming the Mysore State as Karnataka, Dasara Exhibition Grounds, **4 pm to 9.30 pm.**
- **Kalasuruchi:** Kathe Kelona Banni-838, story-telling by M. N. Soumyashree, Teacher, Govt. Higher Primary School, Karalapura, Nanjanagud Taluk, Suruchi Rangamane, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm.**
- **Dreams Inc Innovations Private Limited, Mysuru:** Live musical concert titled 'Mysuru Parva -Musical Masti,' playback singer Ananya Bhat's performance, Open Air Theatre, Manasagangothri Campus, **5 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru:** Swami Ishtanathanandaji speaks on 'Atmabodha,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Raaga Vaibhava - Charitable Trust:** Grand Bharatanatyam recital by Deepa Srinath Bungale, Director, Vaibhava Dance School, Boston, US, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **Jnanabutti, Mysuru:** Valedictory of free Training Camp for Village Administrative Officer (VAO) and Panchayat Development Officer (PDO) exams, Mandya DC Dr. Kumara delivers valedictory address, Mysuru SP N. Vishnuvardhana releases study material, All India Adult Education Council Director and Senior Co-operator Y.N. Shankaregowda presides, Jnanabutti, Lakshmipuram Government High School and PU College premises, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Avadhoota Datta Peetham and Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram, Mysuru:** 21st Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha by junior pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Chaturmasya Discourse on Sri Brahmanda Purana, Universal Prayer Hall, Ashram premises, Dattanagar, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Chamundeshwari Kshetra Development Authority:** Sri Chamundeshwari Vardhanti, Utsava Phalapuje, Durbar Utsava, Mantapotsava and Rashtrashirvada, Muzrai Commissioner H. Basavarajendra, Mysuru DC G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, Sri Chamundeshwari Kshetra Development Authority Secretary M.J. Roopa and Chief Priest Dr. N. Shashishekar Dixit will take part, Chamundi Hill, **8.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JULY 28)

- **Sri Avadhoota Datta Peetham and Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram, Mysuru:** 21st Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha by junior pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Srichakra Puja, Maha Ganapathy Homa, Kumkumarchana to Sri Rajarajeswari Devi, **9 am;** Chaturmasya Discourse on Sri Brahmanda Purana, Universal Prayer Hall, Ashram premises, Dattanagar, **6.30 pm.**
- **Kasturi Sirigannada Vedike, State Unit, Mandya and Keerthi Yuvathi Mahila Mandali, Mysuru:** Ashada Kavigoshti-2024, KSOU Assistant Professor Dr. Sumithra Malavalli inaugurates, senior writer Siddaswamy presides, Kasturi Sirigannada Vedike-Mandya State President Potera Mahadev delivers keynote address, conferring of 'Kasturi Samaja Seva Award' on Dr. A.M. Preethi (Arasikere), R. Rangaswamy (Tagadur) and Nagaratnamma (Sanaba, Pandavapura), Kollapuradamma Temple, K.R. Mohalla, Old Agrahara, **10 am.**
- **Akhila Karnataka Vokkaligara Mahasabha, Bhoomigiri Narayanappa Samskrutika Pratishtana and Alliance Club of Mysore Nalwadi:** Free Health Camp, Doctors' and Newspaper Day celebrations, Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Wadiyar inaugurates, Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research-Mysuru Medical Superintendent & cardiologist Dr. K.S. Sadananda lights the lamp, senior writer Dr. C.P. Krishnakumar presides, conferring of 'Sahitya Ratna Award' on journalist Amshi Prasannakumar, 'Vaidya Ratna Award' on cardiologist Dr. K.S. Sadananda and orthopaedic Dr. Raghunandana Shekarappa, 'Madhyama Ratna Award' on journalists C.K. Mahendra and Ram, **10 am;** Health Check-up Camp, Sri Mahadeshwara Temple premises, Paduvarahalli, **up to 2 pm.**
- **Nadavidyalaya - Academy of Music and Dance, Hebbal, Mysuru:** 'Nada Nritya Mukula,' Academy's 75 budding talents — beginners, sub-juniors and juniors — will take part in the programme under the guidance and direction of Guru Vidushi Mithra Naveen, Nada Nrityopasana, Bharatanatyam programme by sub-junior, junior & senior students of the Academy, Dr. M.D. Sudharshan, Assistant Director of Kannada and Culture Department, Mysuru and Vidushi Aranya Vivek, Artistic Director of Flute N Feet Academy, Bengaluru and Vidwan Vyasa Teertha Acharya, Spiritual Orator and Bharatanatyam artiste, guests of honour, accompanying artistes include Direction and Natuvangam by Guru Vidushi Mithra Naveen, vocal by Vid. M.S. Naveen, mridanga by Vid. G.S. Nagaraj and flute by Vid. Vivek Krishna, Vidu. Harshitha Amruth will compere, Ramagovinda Ranga Vedike, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, **10.30 am.**
- **Mysore Literary Association, Mysuru:** Talk on 'Shakespeare in two cultures' by Prof. C. Naganna, Professor of Comparative Literature and Translation Studies,' Kalpa Kshetra, #581/1, Vijayanagar 4th Stage, 1st Phase, **10.30 am.**
- **Taralabalu Samagama:** 'Bhava Sangama' and endowment programme, retd. Kannada Professor S.S. Ramesh delivers talk on 'Vachanakarara Chintanegala Prastutate,' Taralabalu Samagama President Dr. S.B. Vasanthakumar presides, Vachana Gayana by Choodamani, Taralabalu College's new building, Sahukar Chennaiah Road, Thonachikoppal, **10.30 am.**
- **Samvahana Publications and Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota, Mysuru:** Releasing of the book 'Hampana Lekhana Sanchaya - Paramarshana,' edited by Dr. S.P. Padmaprasad, retd. VC Prof. H.C. Boralingaiah releases the book, Kuvempu Basha Bharathi Chairman Channappa Katti presides, felicitation to Rajyotsava awardee Dr. C. Naganna and Chavundaraya awardee Prof. Preethi Shubhachandra, Prof. Hampana and Dr. S.P. Padmaprasad guests of honour, cultural patron K. Raghuram Vajpayee chief guest, Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota President M. Chandrashekar delivers talk, Publisher D.N. Lokappa will be present, Rotary Centre, JLB Road, **10.30 am.**
- **Music Concert:** Solo Veena Concert by Ishaani Ramaswamy, an 8th Grade student from San Diego, US, accompanied by Vid. V. Nikshit Puttur on mridanga and Vid. R. Karthik on kanjira, Mysore Vasudevacharya's residence, near Agrahara, **10.30 am.**
- **Mysuru Veerashaiva Sajjana Sangha:** 26th Annual Kite Flying Competition, ground opposite Uttanahalli Maramma Temple, Ring Road, **2 pm.**
- **Swaralaya Sangeetha Samsthe and Kannada & Culture Department, Bengaluru:** 'Swaralaya Cultural Fest-2024 (Part-3),' veteran grade artiste of Doordarshan and Akashavani Vid. C. Vishwanath inaugurates, Vidu. Kshama Katwar chief guest, Devara Padagalu by music teacher Bhanu Nishcal, traditional songs by Vidu. Kalpana Anand and team, accompanied by Vid. M.R. Srikanth on violin and M.R. Udaykumar on mridanga, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, **4 pm.**
- **Simon Exhibitors:** 'Karnataka Sambhrama-50,' Mega Consumer Expo marking golden jubilee of renaming the Mysore State as Karnataka, Dasara Exhibition Grounds, **4 pm to 9.30 pm.**
- **Karnataka Sugama Sangeetha Parishat, Mysuru District Unit:** 'Kaviya Nodi - Kavite Keli,' MBCT auditorium, Sterling Theatre Road, Vidyaranyapuram, **5 pm.**
- **District Kannada Sahitya Parishat, Spandana Samskrutika Parishat, Kadamba Kalapeetha and Udayagiri Kannada Sangha, Mysuru:** Releasing of the book 'Shubha Muhurtagalu,' authored by Sujaya Suresh, journalist Amshi Prasannakumar inaugurates, Kannada Book Authority Chairman Manasa releases the book, Mysuru District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal preside, Yuvaraja's College lecturer and columnist H. Nivedita speaks about the book, Spandana Samskrutika Parishat President T. Sathish Javaregowda delivers talk, Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota President M. Chandrashekar chief guest, author Sujaya Suresh and Kadamba Kalapeetha President B. Vidyasagar Kadamba will be present, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), JLB Road, **5 pm.**
- **Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha:** Vocal Concert by Vidu. Dharini Veera Raghavan from Mumbai, accompanied by Vidu. C.V. Shruti on violin, Vid. A. Radhesh on mridanga and Vid. Harishchandra on kanjira (Smt. Kamalamma & Sri Gopalakrishna Chetty Memorial Concert sponsored by A. Shankar Chetty & Sons, Jewellers, Mysuru), Sabha premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru:** Swami Yuktheshanandaji speaks on 'Srimate Saradadevi,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Lions Club of Mysore Vishwamanava Kuvempu:** 2nd installation ceremony, R. Ramesh Kumar will be sworn in as President for the year 2024-25 while T. Nagaraje Gowda as Secretary and B.N. Shivakumar as Treasurer, Kodagu Sahakar Sangha Hall, Jayalakshmipuram, **6.30 pm.**
- **N.R. Mohalla Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust, Mysuru:** Grand Jugalbandi by Vid. L.V. Mukund (flute), disciple of Dr. N. Ramani and Vid. Sameer Rao (bansuri), disciple of Pandit Hariprasad Chaurasia, accompanied by Vid. H.L. Shivashankar Swamy on mridanga and Vid. Adarsh Shenoy on tabla, Sri Prasanna Mahaganapathi Temple on Shivaji Road, N.R. Mohalla, **6.30 pm.**
- **Rangayana, Mysuru:** Staging of play 'Gor Mati,' directed by C. Basavalingaiah, Bhoomigeeta auditorium, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Charu Samskrutika Pratishtana, Mysuru:** Staging of play 'Manteswamy Kavya Prayoga' by Nirdigantha, directed by Dr. Shripad Bhat, RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**

Free health, blood donation camps in city tomorrow

Doctors Day and Newspaper Day celebrations

Mysuru, July 27 (GA&KS)- Akhila Karnataka Vokkaligara Mahasabha, Bhoomigiri Narayanappa Samskrutika Pratishtana and Alliance Club of Mysore Nalwadi, have jointly organised a free health check-up and blood donation camp along with Doctors Day and Newspaper Day celebrations between 10 am and 2 pm on July 28 at Sri Mahadeshwara Temple premises in Paduvarahalli, said Organiser N. Bettegowda.

Doctors from reputed hospitals in city will conduct checks for diabetes, blood pressure, eye problems, joints and bones and dental problems. Dr. A.S. Poornima will conduct screening for uterus and menstruation problems. Needy patients will be provided spectacles, according to a press release.

Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar will inaugurate. City's Jayadeva Hospital Medical Superintendent Dr. K.S. Sadananda will light the lamp. Littérateur Dr. C.P. Krishnakumar will preside.

MLAs G.T. Devegowda and K. Harishgowda, MLC C.N. Manjegowda, former MLA L. Nagendra, former Corporators Namratha Ramesh and Bhagya Madesh, Senior Labour Officer Vishnugowda, Mysore Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI) President K.B. Lingaraju and Mysuru District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal, Alliance Club International Director Dr. Nagaraj V. Bairy, District Governor Siribalu, Sahitya Loka President Dr. Y.D. Rajanna, social worker K. Raghuram Vajpayee, BJP Mysuru District President L.R. Mahadevaswamy, Mysuru Hotel Owners Association President C. Narayanagowda, Janahitha Sangha President M. Bhyrappa, Paduvarahalli Gramabhudaya Trust President M. Mahadevaswamy and Vice-President S. Ramu will be the chief guests.

Akhila Karnataka Vokkaligara Mahasabha Gen. Secretary Dr. E.C. Ningaraj will deliver introductory address. Alliance Club of Mysore Nalwadi Secretary Lakshmidevi & Treasurer M.N. Chandrashekar will be present.

On the occasion, 'Sahitya Ratna' award will be conferred on journalist Amshi Prasannakumar; 'Vaidya Ratna' on Dr. Sadananda and Dr. Raghunandan Shekarappa and 'Madhyama Ratna' on journalists C.K. Mahendra and Ram.

'Cheeni Mamanige Ondu Dina' programme on July 28

Mysuru, July 27- As part of 'Ranga Taaregala Nenapu' programme, city based Nalwadi Social, Cultural and Educational Trust has organised 'Cheeni Mamanige Ondu Dina' on July 28 at 5.30 pm at Halemane Angala, Kalamandira in the city.

Cheeni Mama

Announcing this at a press meet at Pathrakartara Bhavan in city recently, Trust President Dinesh Chammalige said that Senior artiste Shivaji Rao Jadhav will inaugurate the event which will feature theatre songs.

Former Rangayana Director H. Janaradhan (Jenni) will preside. Kannada and Culture Department Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy, B.M. Ramachandra and Nanda Halemane will be the guests.

A play titled 'Shareefa,' written and directed by Manjunath Belekere, will also be staged on the occasion, said Dinesh Chammalige.

Srinivas Bhat, fondly called as Cheeni Mama, was associated with Rangayana since its inception as music teacher and continued to teach even after retiring officially till he passed away, aged 63, on Jan. 25, 2023.

MCC announces specially abled beneficiaries' list

Mysuru, July 27- Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has announced its list of specially abled beneficiaries under 5% Scheme to undertake self-employment. The specially abled beneficiaries are being given free Retro Fitment Fixed Scooters.

MCC had received 115 applications from specially abled out of which 52 applicants have been selected after their application were scrutinised as per rules. The remaining applications will be processed in the next phase of selection and after that the list of beneficiaries will be announced.

The list of beneficiaries has been displayed in the notice board of MCC. Objections, if any, either from public or other applicants, can be submitted to Additional Commissioner of the MCC before July 30, says a press release issued by MCC.

MOVIE LOVERS

NOW SHOWING - SINGLE SCREEN THEATRES

- **Gayathri Theatre** — Ph: 2443568
  Family Drama (K) - 4 Shows
- **Sangam Theatre** — Ph: 2520494
  Rudraveena (Te) - 4 Shows
- **Thibbadevi Theatre** — Ph: 2452958
  Narabali (Te) - 4 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** — Mob: 99008-20093
  Shastri (K) - 4 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** — Ph: 2521923
  Indian 2 (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** — Mob: 9886325207
  Kill (H) - 4 Shows
- **Prabha Theatre** — Mob: 98454-14691
  Raktaksha (K) - 4 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — Ph: 2423554
  Deadpool & Wolverine (E) - 4 Shows
- **Woodlands Theatre** — Ph: 2422871
  Raayan (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** — Ph: 2420885
  Raja Huli (K) 4 Shows

DRC CINEMAS — Ph: 4240422, 4241800

Deadpool & Wolverine (E-3D)	(S-1)	8 am, 10.40 am
Raayan (Ta)	(S-1)	1.20 pm, 4.10 pm, 7 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-4)	10.35 am
Raktaksha (K)	(S-2)	10.30 am
Bad Newz (H)	(S-2)	12.50 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (Te)	(S-2)	3.35 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (K)	(S-2)	7 pm
Level Cross (Ma)	(S-2)	10.25 pm
Bad Newz (H)	(S-3)	10.30 am, 4.15 pm
Roopantara (K)	(S-3)	1.15 pm
Family Drama (K)	(S-3)	7.10 pm
Rudraveena (Te)	(S-3)	10.10 pm
Deadpool & Wolverine (E-3D)	(S-4)	1.30 pm, 4.15 pm, 7 pm, 9.45 pm

MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Roopanthara (K)	(S-1)	10.35 am; (S-4) 4.35 pm, 9 pm
Love Li (K)	(S-1)	1 pm
Kenda (K)	(S-1)	3.50 pm
Family Drama (K)	(S-1)	6.25 pm
Vidyarthi Vidyarthiniyare (K)	(S-1)	9.15 pm
Deadpool & Wolverine (E-3D)	(S-2)	10.30 am, 7 pm
	(S-3)	1.25 pm, 4 pm, 9.20 pm
Raayan (Ta)	(S-2)	1.15 pm, 4.10 pm, 9.30 pm
	(S-3)	6.30 pm; (S-4) 10.30 am
Kalki 2898 AD (K)	(S-4)	1.15 pm
Rudraveena (Te)	(S-4)	7 pm

PVR CINEMAS — 4K Dolby 7.1

Nexus Centre City Mall, 2nd Floor. Mob: 8951357139

Deadpool & Wolverine (H-3D)	:	9.50 am, 3.55 pm, 9.45 pm
Deadpool & Wolverine (E-3D)	:	10.50 am, 12.45 pm, 1.45 pm, 4.40 pm 6.50 pm, 7.35 pm, 10.30 pm
Deadpool & Wolverine (Ta-2D)	:	11.45 am
Deadpool & Wolverine (H-2D)	:	10 pm
Raayan (Ta)	:	9.55 am, 1 pm, 4.05 pm 7.10 pm, 10.15 pm
Bad Newz (H)	:	10 am, 1 pm, 7.10 pm, 10.20 pm
Level Cross (Ma)	:	10.40 am, 10.10 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	10.50 am
Twisters (E)	:	1.15 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (H)	:	2.40 pm, 6.20 pm
Family Drama (K)	:	4 pm
Kill (H)	:	4 pm
Roopanthara (K)	:	7.05 pm

1st Floor, Garuda Mall. Mob: 9901373210

Deadpool & Wolverine (E-3D)	:	9.20 am, 10.20 am, 12.15 pm 1.15 pm, 3.10 pm, 4.10 pm, 6.05 pm 7.05 pm, 9 pm, 10 pm
Raayan (Ta)	:	9.25 am, 12.30 pm, 3.35 pm 6.40 pm, 9.45 pm
Bad Newz (H)	:	10.20 am, 4.40 pm
Raja Huli (K)	:	1.20 pm
Level Cross (Ma)	:	7.40 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (K)	:	10.15 pm

INOX LIVE the MOVIE

Mall of Mysore - Mob: 7829999465

Deadpool & Wolverine (E-3D)	:	8.55 am, 10.20 am, 1.15 pm, 4.10 pm 6.05 pm, 7.05 pm, 10 pm
Deadpool & Wolverine (H-3D)	:	3.10 pm
Deadpool & Wolverine (Te-3D)	:	9 pm
Raayan (Ta)	:	10 am, 1.05 pm, 4.10 pm 7.15 pm, 10.20 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	11.35 am
Kalki 2898 AD (K)	:	12.15 pm
Roopanthara (K)	:	3.55 pm
Family Drama (K)	:	7.10 pm
Bad Newz (H)	:	10.20 pm

INOX Centro Mysore - Mob: 9606976757

Bad Newz (H)	:	10 am, 4.15 pm
Raayan (Ta)	:	10.05 am, 1.10 pm, 7.15 pm, 10.20 pm
Deadpool & Wolverine (E-3D)	:	10.30 am, 1 pm, 1.30 pm, 3.55 pm 4.30 pm, 6.50 pm, 7.30, 9.45 pm, 10.30 pm
Raktaksha (K)	:	11.10 am
Kenda (K)	:	1.45 pm
Sanketh (K)	:	4.45 pm
Devadoothan (Ma)	:	7.20 pm
Level Cross (Ma)	:	10.10 pm

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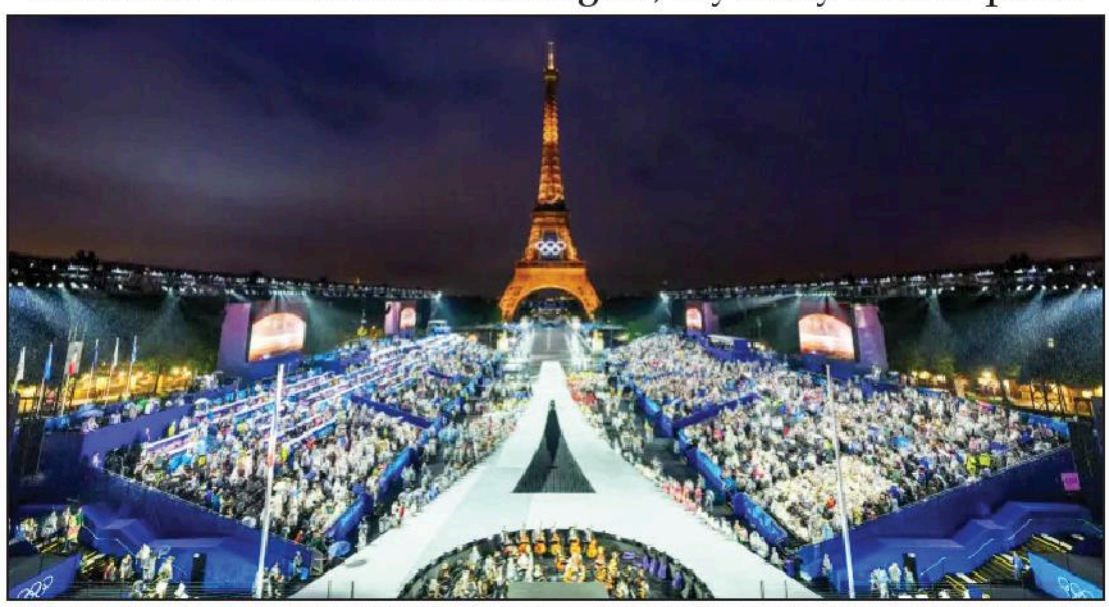
Colourful start to Paris Olympics

PM Modi wishes Indian contingent, says they are our pride



Overview of the Trocadero venue while the delegations arrive, during the Opening Ceremony of the Paris 2024 Olympic Games in Paris yesterday with Eiffel Tower in the background. Picture below shows members of the Indian contingent attending the opening ceremony of the Paris 2024 Olympic Games yesterday with shuttler P.V. Sindhu and paddler Sharath Kamal proudly carrying the Indian Flag. [Pics. Courtesy: Internet]

Paris, July 27 (UNI)- The much-awaited quadrennial event Olympics began yesterday at Paris in France with a colourful opening ceremony at Sien River near the world famous Eieffel towers, even as Prime Minister Narendra Modi extended his best wishes to the Indian contingent saying every Indian athlete is our pride.

French President Emmanuel Macron inaugurated the Olympics watched across the world amid much fanfare and camaraderie. What is more heartening is that, mercifully rains kept away (the event being held in open space for first time & watched by over three lakh sperctators), though showers were predicted, providing a fitting start to the grandiose event that would see thousands of athletes compete for honours in multi-disciplines.

In a social media post, as the event (kicked off late night with a colourful event and fireworks lighting up the night skies), being held outside the stadium for the first time at a river, Modi said: "As the Paris #Olympics commences, my best wishes to the Indian contingent." "Every athlete is India's pride. May they all shine and embody the true spirit of sportsmanship, inspiring us with their exceptional performances. #Paris2024", he added.

It was a spectacular show of light and colour at the Sien River as the athletes were brought in more than 60 boats, with India's pride shuttler P.V. Sindhu and paddler Sharath Kamal proudly carrying the Indian flag, donning the national colours. This time expectation was high from Indian contingent, carrying the hopes of billion people and finish with a double digit medal margin.

Leading the challenge in multi-events, the 117-member Indian delegation was Sharath Kamal and Sindhu, who is hoping for their third medal in this prestigious event. But the main hopes rely on Javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra, who was keen to repeat his Tokyo show and win a second successive gold.

Having finished with seven medals at Tokyo in the last event, hopes are high that athletes, shuttlers, paddlers, archers, tennis players, hockey stars, sailors and other those from other disciplines are keen to prove a point and bring glory.

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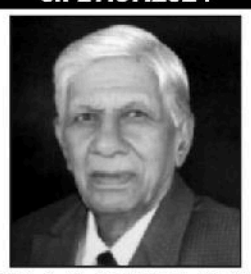

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